Empire Runners Meeting Minutes 2/22/18 Location: Montgomery Village Round Table Pizza, Santa Rosa, California

Call to Order: 6:35 p.m. **Board Members Present:** Luis Rosales, Kate Papadopoulos, Catherine Dubay, Andrea Guzman, Chris Gardina, and Dan Karbousky

Approval of Minutes for January 25 meeting: **Approved Officer's Reports**

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$86, 253.91

Committee Reports

Grand Prix – Jerry Lyman- Luis Rosales to assist Jerry in reaching out for donations

New Business

Proposal #1: Optional donation to the Trione-Annadel State Park with Membership renewal. Kelsey "KC" Cody proposes adding option for ERC members to donate funds to Annadel Park when paying membership dues. He is working with Sarah Reid and there will be a way to earmark that the funds go directly to the park. **No vote, will re-engage with board in the fall, closer to membership renewal, and after more details are worked out about program details. Questions include how funds would be used and if the program would be yearly or one time.**

Announcements

Myriah Volk: Executive Director of the Shoes 4 Kidz Organization discusses new event "1 Mile in Shoes Run" April 15th at Analy High. Will be a festival type event with one mile fun runs on track and other festivities. Has a Facebook page. Shoes 4 Kidz raises funds to purchase and distribute athletic shoes out to children in need in Sonoma County. https://www.facebook.com/shoes4kidz/?rc=p

https://www.evensi.us/1-mile-shoes-analy-high-school-tigers

Race Report

Past: Healdsburg 5K Love Run (2/10), Willits Classic 10 mile & 5k (2/11) Valley Ford Relays (2/18) 26 teams, lower numbers works well for race logistics **Upcoming:** 3/4 Napa Valley Marathon3/11 Ilsanjo Classic; 10, 4 miles & 1k Newt Scoot, 3/11 St Patrick's day 5k, 4/7 Anadel Half Marathon & 5k run, 4/7 Napa Valley 50k, 4/8 Rock 'N' Roll Marathon (SF)4/8 Rio Lindo Trail Run 10k & 5k, 4/8 Russian River Mud Run 10k & 5k, 4/14 IPA 10K(Sebastopol), 4/14 Heroes for Health

Other Announcements/Issues for discussion

Update signers on Exchange Bank Account- Remove Nuvit, add Jerry and ERC board member

Thank you letters shared from: Montgomery XC & Center for Well-Being

Volunteer Need: Gil needs help picking up and returning trailer to the storage facility, XC leadership assistance needed, suggest shared role. **Will put out volunteer requests in Newsletter.**